BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268–0001

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POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2000

Docket No. R2000-1

MOTION FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSE TO QUESTION 4 OF PRESIDING OFFICER'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 9

The United States Postal Service hereby moves that it be permitted to file three calendar days late its response to Question 4 of Presiding Officer's Information Request No. 9.

The response was due to have been filed on Monday, May 1st. When not providing necessary assistance in the preparation of other witnesses for cross-examination last week, the witness responsible for preparation of the response was out on sick leave last week and this week, and thus, was unable to prepare a response within the prescribed 10-day limit.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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